## Disposal Procedures for Unused Beef Products Related to Hallmark Westland USDA Recall

The Hallmark/Westland beef products being recalled by the USDA are not fit for human consumption and must be disposed of properly. Schools that have the products being recalled are asked to follow these recommendations for disposal.

## Less than 50 Cases

Theoretically, school or districts with less than 50 cases can dispose of the meat in a dumpster. However, up to 50 cases could fill a substantial portion of a dumpster. Because of this, we suggest that if you have less than 10 cases, dispose of them in a dumpster. If you have more than 10 cases, haul the product to your nearest landfill.

If you place the meat in a dumpster, you must render it unsuitable for human consumption. This is most easily and economically accomplished by pouring a small amount of bleach over the product in the dumpster. We recommend that you wait to place and treat the product in the dumpster shortly before it is scheduled to be emptied.

If you haul the meat to a landfill, please witness its burial to confirm that none of the product can be used for human consumption.

## **More than 50 Cases**

Large quantities of product must be transported to a landfill for disposal. You are required to arrange for a representative from your local district health department to witness the burial of the product at the landfill. Contact information for the district health departments can be found by <u>clicking here</u>.

If you have any questions, please contact the Food Protection Program for the Idaho Department of Health and Welfare at 334-5938 or by <a href="mailto:email.">email.</a> You also can contact your district health department.

Thank you for your cooperation.

